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Amendments to the Claims

Please amend the claims as shown below.

- 1.-.5 (Canceled)
- (Currently Amended) An-A computer-implemented enterprise management system, comprising:

a transaction manager, <u>executing on a processor</u>, <u>configured</u> to receive new revenue transactions <u>in which revenue from the new revenue transactions is</u> posted by an organization,

an Availability Control (AVC) manager, <u>executing on the processor</u>, responsive to <u>the revenue posted from</u> a new revenue transaction <u>configured</u> to execute an AVC rule represented by a control object, the AVC rule causing a comparison of previously-posted revenue of the organization and revenue of the new <u>revenue</u> transaction with a limit to how much revenue may be posted for the control object and, if the comparison fails a relationship defined by the AVC rule, causing the transaction manager to reject the new revenue transaction.

- (Currently Amended) The <u>computer-implemented</u> enterprise management system of claim 6, further comprising an AVC ledger, <u>executing on a processor</u>, comprising a database storing control objects and aggregations of revenue postings that are operands to the control objects, the aggregations generated for executing the AVC rule.
- (Cancelled)
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- 10. (Currently Amended) An Availability Control (AVC) method, comprising:

<u>determining</u>, in responseresponsive to a proposed <u>postings-posting</u> of revenue, <u>determining</u>-whether a revenue calculation of any control objects would use the proposed posting in a revenue calculation,

executing AVC rules for each identified control object, the AVC rules testing whether the proposed posting of revenue would exceed revenue limits for the control object, and

<u>blocking</u>, if any AVC rule is violated by the posting and if the AVC rule identifies an error as a response thereto, blocking the posting from being admitted.

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 (Previously Presented) The AVC method of claim 10, wherein the executing comprises: generating a postings operand from an aggregation of previously-admitted postings values addressed by the control object, and

determining whether the postings operand satisfies a test relationship specified for the control object.

12. (Previously Presented) The AVC method of claim 10, wherein the executing comprises: generating a postings operand from an aggregation of previously admitted postings values addressed by the control object and from a new revenue posting value, and

determining whether the postings operand satisfies a test relationship specified for the control object.

- (Original) The AVC method of claim 12, further comprising storing the postings operand in a ledger storage device associated with the control object.
- (Cancelled)
- 15. (Original) The AVC method of claim 10, further comprising performing the determining, the executing and, if necessary the blocking for each of a plurality of AVC rule sets in an enterprise management system.
- 16. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium storing program instructions that, when executed, cause an executing device to:

responsive to a proposed postings of revenue, determine whether the revenue calculation for any control objects would use the proposed posting in a revenue calculation,

execute Availability Control (AVC) rules for each identified control object, the AVC rules testing whether the proposed postings of revenue would exceed revenue limits for the control object, and

if any AVC rule is violated by the posting and if the AVC rule identifies an error as a response thereto, block the posting from being admitted.

17. (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of claim 16, having instructions that further cause the executing device to:

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generate a postings operand from an aggregation of previously-admitted postings values addressed by the control object, and

determine whether the postings operand satisfies a test relationship specified for the control object.

18. (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of claim 16, having instructions that further cause the executing device to:

generate a postings operand from an aggregation of previously-admitted postings values addressed by the control object and from a new revenue posting value, and

determine whether the postings operand satisfies a test relationship specified for the control object.

19. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 16, having instructions that further cause the executing device to store the postings operand in a ledger storage device associated with the control object.

(Cancelled)

21. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 16, having instructions that further cause the executing device to perform the determination, the execution and, if necessary the blocking for each of a plurality of AVC rule sets in an enterprise management system.

22. (Currently Amended) A computer system, comprising:

an availability controla revenue manager, responsive to posting of revenue from a new revenue transaction to execute rules, the rules causing a comparison of previously-posted revenue added to a the revenue of the new revenue transaction with a limit to how much revenue may be posted and, if the comparison exceeds a predetermined limit, rejecting the new revenue transaction.